

WQHA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2018 - 9:00 am
LaSure's Banquet Hall, Oshkosh, WI

The WQHA Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by Vice President Nikki Schultz at 9:05 am. Roll call was taken with 14 voting members in attendance: Nikki Schultz, Lisa Busby, Ron Miller, Cindy Tousey, Jerry Laumer, Rhona Spratto (proxy for Judy Zeitler), Linda Henry (proxy for Mark Zeitler), Tim Schmahl (proxy for Jim Ramthun), Danyelle Gabbert, Brenda Lindvall, Brett Cumberledge, Linda Berg, Sara Hauer, Kathy Doyle, Additional Attendees: Pat Miller, Keri Smith, Becky Ruehle

WQHA Bylaws were reviewed. Committee reports should be sent to Lisa prior to her sending out the agenda.

Secretaries Report – Lisa Busby reported the minutes were previously emailed. One change was made in the youth section that laminating back numbers as a fundraiser was suggested not that the Youth would be for sure doing that. Ron Miller made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Brenda Lindvall, motion carried.

Financial Report – Ron Miller reviewed the financials he distributed. He pointed out a profit of \$2,000. Insurance came back lower than expected. Taxes have been sent in. 1099's have been mailed out. There was a \$200 fee for 3rd party services for the 1099's since they have to be filed electronically. Used to be able to file up to 50 1099's without filing electronically and that has been changed to 10. Jerry Laumer made a motion to accept the financial report, Rhonda Spratto second, motion carried.

National Director's Report – No updates

Committee Reports:

Awards – Comments were made about time for awards at the banquet. Award presentations were too fast and too close to the stage. Suggest another 1 or 2 people to help with awards. Therapy pad being delivered in April. \$1,000 left over from the awards, maybe more, will know after all invoices are paid. Some of the savings was due to the reserve awards being reduced from \$75 to \$50.

Banquet – 187 meals were served compared to 216 in 2017. 6 meals were paid for and the people didn't show, 2 meals not paid for but said they would pay. 32 rooms reserved this year compared to 21 rooms last year. Food was served later than planned. There were some complaints about seating. Need to rethink the seating and communicate better. Dessert auction profit was \$510 expense was \$150.00. Scholarship auction profit was \$997.00. Need additional sponsors for the banquet. Nutrena was the only sponsor this year. No final financial report at this time, Danyelle estimates a small profit and she will send out the report when finalized.

Hall of Fame – Committee members leaving; Rhonda Spratto, Sara Hauer, & Jim McKillips. Need 3 new members. Need more information on the forms especially

contact info. Suggest 1 but no more than 2 people and horses inducted each year, but final decision is up to the committee.

Horse Fair – Butch and Patty Campbell and Chuck Briggs will be there to help with the booth. Lisa will be sending out a Google doc to sign up to help.

Membership – Majority of renewal memberships are being done online. Danyelle is working on a member benefits leaflet with discounts. If you have ideas or contacts, please get them to Danyelle as she is putting together a letter to send out. She is looking into using videos and social media to highlight district directors. Hope to have something by the March meeting. Danyelle is also looking for help in this area. If you would like to help on this committee contact Danyelle.

Newsletter & Directory – *The profit/loss report was given on the 2018 Directory showing a profit. (paper copies were also handed out). A motion was made and carried to print 1,000 copies of the spring newsletter and also mail to Minnesota members.* Discussed making big posters for March shows. Motion was made by Nikki to print posters and promo pieces for March shows and to mail newsletters to Minnesota members (346), Brett second, motion carries.

Open Show Program – No update

Queen – No update

Recreational Riding – No update

Scholarship – *Scholarship winner was announced at the banquet. Erika Vandavelde. Becky asked how we go about getting her the scholarship award. It was brought up that there is a policy on scholarship funds and Kathy Doyle and Nikki would find the policy and get it to the committee.*

Show Coordination – New accident report form given to Ron. Kathy will email a copy to show managers along with insurance. She said she would have insurance info sometime in March.

Show managers and stewards training will be held April 7th at the Holiday Inn in Fond du Lac. Training will start at 10:00 am with lunch provided at noon and the session concluding around 1:00pm. Let Kathy know if you have anyone that will be attending so she can plan for lunch.

Spring show is on hold, contact Tim Schmahl. He plans to incorporate it with an open show in the future.

Back numbers will be laminated if paid for.

Introductory Show – No update.

Slot Classes – No update

Website – Renewal paid for website \$1,425.00

WI Horse Council – Horse Council paid \$17,000 for the survey and should have written results at the end of February.

ELD – American Horse Council is working on it. There is a bill out there that will be voted on for livestock exemption.

Youth – The youth made \$448.00 on the 50/50 raffle at the banquet. New officers:

President, - Madison Spak

Vice/Past President – Katelyn Schultz

Reporter – Savannah Hauer

Treasurer/Secretary – Josie Bretting

14 – 18 Social Director – Aubry Alderman

New Business –

Motion to adjourn was made by Rhonda and second by Ron. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 6:30 pm at Holiday Inn, Fond du Lac